

City of Wichita Utilities Optimization Senior Program Manager





Our Wichita Community



Don't miss this opportunity to play a significant role in reshaping Wichita's Water and Sewer Utilities. A reliable water and sewer system is vital in order to support Wichita's quality of life, as well as the exciting developments occurring all across Wichita; new downtown development, a proposed redesign of the Lawrence Dumont Baseball Stadium, and new aviation jobs are just a few of the exciting things already in the works. The Senior Program Manager will provide leadership in optimizing water and sewer operations to ensure reliability, sustainability and efficiency.

Wichita, the largest city in Kansas, population 389,965, is the county seat of Sedgwick County; the population in the Metropolitan Statistical Area is 644,672.1 As of May 2017, the City's total land area was approximately 164.3 square miles. Wichita's employment includes a broad mix of business types, with a sizable base of relatively high paying manufacturing jobs. A list of Wichita's major private employers include Spirit AeroSystems, Inc., Via Christi Health, Textron, Inc., Bombardier Learjet, Koch Industries Inc., Wesley Medical Center, Dillons Food Stores, Cargill Meat Solutions, and Johnson Controls. The City of Wichita is also among the largest employers with approximately 3,000 employees.

Wichita is a community with big city amenities and a small town, friendly atmosphere. Low cost of living, exceptional educational opportunities, broad range of arts and cultural attractions, and many entertainment options make Wichita the ideal place to call home. Wichita's diverse cultural attractions are nationally



renowned and rival other metropolitan areas of comparable size. The city offers a professional opera, symphony, ballet and music theater as well as numerous cinematic and performance theaters ready to impress with plays and independent films. From traditional to contemporary, the city features a variety of art galleries and world-class museums and also accomplished local musicians and artists entertain and inspire on a continual basis.

Outdoor recreational activities abound in Wichita. There are more than 4300 acres of lush parks and greenways, tranquil botanical

gardens, numerous golf courses and more than 60 miles of bike paths. The Arkansas River provides additional recreational opportunities and serves as the centerpiece of the annual Wichita River Festival. It is home to the iconic Keeper of the Plains sculpture, which has become a symbol of Wichita and pays tribute to the Native Americans who first inhabited the area.

Wichita attracts approximately six million visitors each year. A variety of retail districts make it a shopper's paradise featuring local boutiques, eclectic shops and lifestyle centers. Wichita is also globally recognized as a top test market in the restaurant industry and can satisfy any appetite with more than 1,000 restaurants.

We could go on and on about our great City, but encourage you to use the links provided in this brochure to find out more for yourself. We think Wichita is a special place with great things happening — [CLICK HERE](#) to see the latest additions to our fine City in 3rd Quarter 2017.



Public Works & Utilities



Mission

Provide world-class infrastructure and environmental health programs.

Values

Family
Professionalism
Ethics
Equity
Service
Respect

Innovation
Engagement
Excellence
Integrity
Stewardship
Empowerment

The department manages multiple infrastructure systems, asset groups, and environmental compliance activities. It is the City's largest department with 858 positions, an annual operating budget of \$255 million, and nearly \$1.7 billion in Capital Improvement Program projects through 2025. There are 12 funds and 24 division budgets that support annual activities.



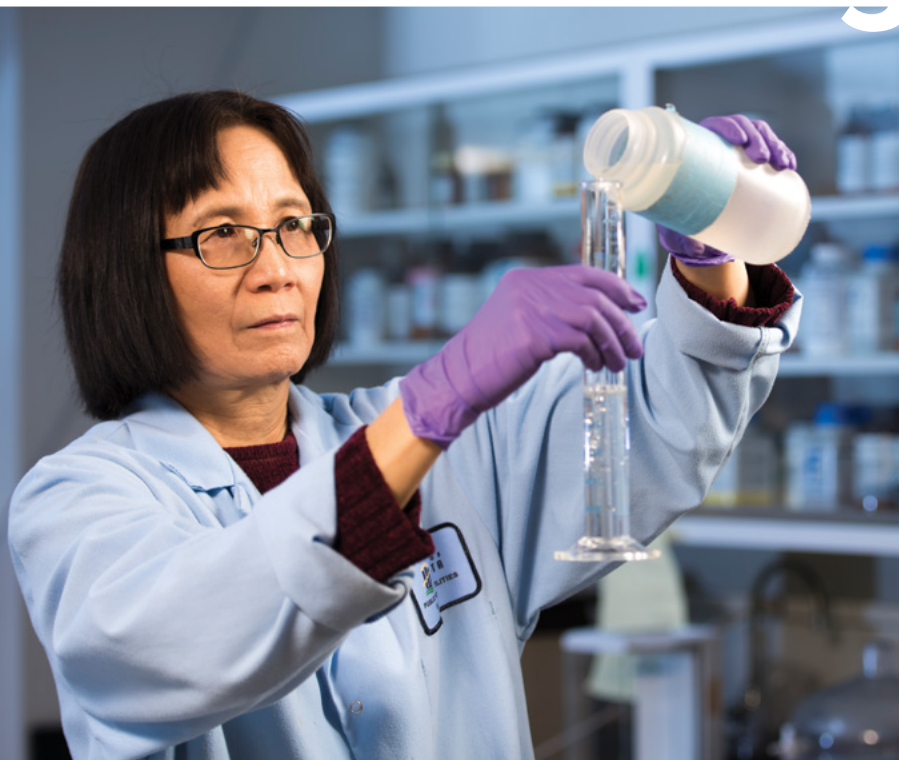
The utilities section manages approximately 5,000 miles of water and wastewater distribution and collection lines, provides drinking water and wastewater service to nearly half a million people, and delivers and treats an average of 18 billion gallons of water each year.

Key Outcome Measures

Measure	2015 Actual	2016 Actual	2017 Target
Water Distribution Renewal & Replacement Rate	2.58%	2.63%	1.41%
Sewer Collection Renewal & Replacement Rate	2.75%	1.77%	1.82%
Leaks & Pipeline Breaks Per 100 Linear Miles of Water Piping	30.8	29.0	25.0

In November 2017, Wichita City Council voted to optimize the Water and Sewer Utilities through a City-led approach to “Utilities Optimization – Phase II”. The objective of Phase II will be to identify and implement efficiencies in water and sewer operations that will lead to savings. With a focus on preventive maintenance, Phase II will allow the City to take a more proactive approach to asset management.

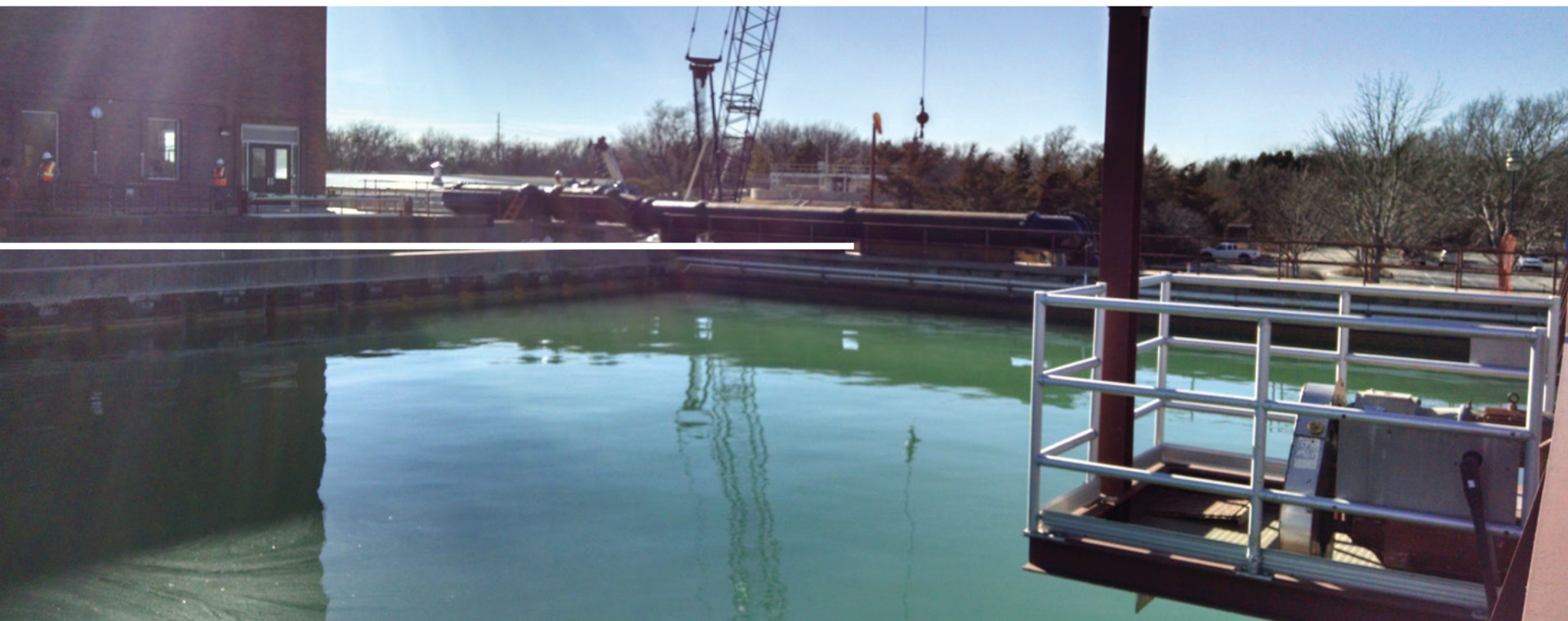
The Challenges



Faced with more than an estimated \$1 billion in deferred maintenance, Public Works & Utilities is looking for operational savings in order to allow for more aggressive capital investment. Over the last several years, the City has worked to replace aged water and sewer lines and is now focusing on the water and wastewater treatment plants. With a single water treatment plant that has aged past its useful life and new regulations facing wastewater treatment, the City continues to look for innovative and efficient capital investment strategies.

The Position

The Senior Program Manager will be responsible for identification and implementation of operational efficiencies within the Water Distribution division, Water Production division, Sewage Treatment division and Sewer Maintenance division. In addition, this leadership position will be involved with water and sewer capital improvement program development and oversight of special capital projects.





The Ideal Candidate

The Ideal Candidate possesses more than five years' experience in water and wastewater treatment processes. Possesses more than five years administrative or supervisory experience. Has a thorough knowledge of project management methodologies. Has graduated from a four-year college with a degree in engineering, environmental sciences, public



administration or a closely related discipline.
See values previously described.

To Apply

To be considered for this position, all applications must be submitted through the City of Wichita Careers website at: www.wichita.gov. Please submit a cover letter and resume with application.

Application Deadline: Position is open until filled.



Employment Information

Pre-Employment Requirements

All offers of employment from the City of Wichita are contingent on the candidate passing a background check, physical and drug screening.

Relocation Assistance

Relocation may be available for qualifying candidates.

Residency requirement

Employees are required to live within 30 minutes of lawful driving time of the corporate city limits. Employees are allowed 60 days from their start date to meet that requirement if they do not own or have any equity in their residence, or six (6) months if they do own or have equity in their residence.

Equal Opportunity Employment

The City of Wichita will extend equal opportunity to qualified applicants and employees without regard to race, religion, color, sex, marital status, national origin, ancestry, disability, genetic information, political affiliation, age, sexual orientation, or other non-merit factors.

Veteran's Preference

As a Veteran of armed services, you may be entitled to preference when seeking employment with the City of Wichita. If you are interested in receiving Veteran's Preference, you must submit your DD 214 prior to the position closing date. All required documents may be attached to the application and submitted electronically.

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA)

Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for the application and/or interview process should notify HR by calling 316-268-4531. The Kansas Relay phone number is 711.

Criminal History

Convictions (and arrests for law enforcement positions) for job-related offenses may be grounds for denial of employment for some or all City positions.

Resource Links

[Greater Wichita Partnership](#)

[Visit Wichita](#)

[Wichita Chamber](#)

[Public Works and Utilities 2018 Budget](#)

[Utilities Optimization Phase II & 2018 Water and Sewer Rates Presentation 11.21.17](#)



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